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EXHIBIT #VII.D.

TO: Members of the State Board of Education

FROM: William H. Beardsley, Acting Commissioner*

DATE: November 10, 2015

SUBJECT: Approval of the Equivalency Standards between the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) and the State of Maine

BACKGROUND: The three nationally accredited postsecondary education institutions of Maine (The University of Maine, University of Southern Maine, and the University of Maine at Farmington) will be reviewed by the CAEP standards and the State of Maine standards derived from Chapter 114. The proposed equivalency standards facilitates the review process by demonstrating the alignment between the CAEP and State of Maine standards to avoid redundancies and better articulate the review team findings.

RECOMMENDATION: That the State Board of Education approve the Equivalency Standards between the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) and the State of Maine. During future CAEP reviews only one document will be produced to fulfil approval requirement for both CAEP and the State of Maine.

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